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For : Open-Path/Free-Space Optical Communication System and
Method Using Reflected or Backscattered Light

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**PETITION TO ADD UNINTENTIONALLY
DELAYED DOMESTIC PRIORITY CLAIM
(37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3))**

1. A petition is hereby made to add an unintentionally delayed priority claim.
2. The above-identified application was originally filed June 30, 2003. The first two paragraphs of the application following the title consist of cross-references to earlier-filed applications: "International Application, Serial Number PCT/US02/02866, filed January 30, 2002, which International Application claims a priority date of January 30, 2001 based on prior filed U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number 60/265,022." The earlier-filed applications were never recognized by the Office. The specific references to the earlier-filed applications were otherwise in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.78 and 35 U.S.C. 120.
3. An amendment including the reference to the prior filed applications is being filed herewith.
4. The entire delay between the date the claim for domestic priority was due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date of this petition filed was unintentional.

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